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Edison, the inventor, although someweat deaf, is passionately fond of music. We are informed that he does not play by note, but has a quick ear to catch popular opera airs. It is amusing to see him getting a tune out of his ivory keys. He looks very much as if he were at a telegraph key sending off a quick dispatch, and wanted to rattle the operator at the other end by his lightning rapidity. Sometimes he will play a piece with his foreinger only. It moves like a phantom finger, so hurriedly does it pass over the keys. He goes to the opera frequently, and immediately upon returning home, no matter how late the hour, he sits at the piano and rattles off some of the taking airs.

Minnie Hauk has arrived and made her reappearance at the Metropolitan Opera House, in "L'Africaine."

A WORD WITH YOU.

It is rather singular that amidst all our progress and vaunted desire for the latest, some few should have gone back forty years to grope. We refer to the so-called cheap and original editions of Webster's dictionary, which certain parties have been offering to the public as premiums, etc., or as a bait, as in the cases of some short-sighted business houses, but which failed in its purpose. It is in fact but a cheap reprint of the dictionary of near a half a century ago. All the vast improvements and most valuable additions since that period are found only in the edition still copyrighted and published by G. and C. Merriam & Co. of Springfield, Mass.; every copy bearing that firm's name and title, "Webster's International Dictionary." If two score years of research and constant revision and addition mean anything, over \$300,000 having been spent in this book, then who would have the

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SYMPHONY CONCERT.

The last concert given by the Choral Symphony Society was one of the best of the season. The next concert, to be diven on the 16th inst., will afford a special treat in Mr. ranz Rummel, the eminent soloist, who will play Beethwer's fifth concert in E flat. For the concert to be given fay the 12th, Charles Santley, the great English oratorio inger, has been engaged.

DEATH OF FRANK GRAY.

Frank Gray, the well-known violin repairer, died on the 20th ult at his residence, 1408 Park avenue, after a long illless. His death was due to chronic bronchitis. Mr. Gray
was a pupil of one of the most celebrated violin makers in
france and apent some time in New York with Aug. Gemünler. Mr. Gray was greatly prized in his chosen walk of life
und highly esteemed by all with whom he came in contact.
His daughter, Agnes Gray, is the popular and well-known
riolinist. He was 66 years of age and c.osed a life of singular
usefulness. His loss will be deeply felt.

THE CULTIVATION OF THE VOICE.

Every one may not be blessed by nature with a pleasant voice; but almost every one can by endeavor attain something like it—the inspiration, the respiration, the modulation, the pitch. Some may be condemned even in the cradle to the ones which make you wish to clap your hands to your ears; but a vast number, if taken in time can be made to say the very less, not unpleasant, if not exactly delightful. It needs early training and constant care to bring about the metamorphosis. From the beginning the child should be allowed to produce no rancous tones, to indulge in no thick enunciation, to utter no slovenly slur of sound; the elders should soften their own voices when within the child's hearing, if at no other time, should open their own most flute-like stop, and should speak with slow gentleness and a precision not precise enough for affectation, but quite enough so for thorough distinctness and accuracy, and for every sound to be given its full value. A servant of rude tones should never be allowed about a child, nor any one else of a disagreeable habit of voice. Even the nightingales and canaries are taught by another bird of perfect throat; and if the bird learns thus by naturally taking the sound it hears, the child will do the same. Achild once attuned by the hearing and neighborhood of sweetvoices to take an agreeable pitch, and while the tone-producing organs are still flexible, can be corrected in any deviation from purity and pleasantness, till the deviation becomes all but impossible. This certainly is not achieved by a simple effort; it is to be done only by unremitting observation and unceasing correction. A harsh tone should be modified upon the spot, a coarse cry abandoned, a sharp one softened; modulations should be taught, giving the speaker a gamut on which to play and prevent monotony, for we all know how unendurable is either reading or speaking in one dulluvarying drone. It is often desirable, especially in the case of children who have had throat troubles and recurring caterials coles, to ha

There is no young voice that cannot be improved by advice mid training at the hands of one capable of giving both; his is eminently true during the first dozen years of life; but it is true, also, until close upon the thirtieth year. In the anatter of singing voices, baritones have made for themselves enor voices by slow determination and practice; sopranos have closed a lower and opened a higher register; and if

such miraculous work as that has been done with the delicate and difficult singing voice, surely all that can be required of the speaking voice is possible every day, and all that is required is much less than anything of this sort. Many of the great orators of antiquity are known to have overcome serious defects of speech, either in delivery of the voice, as in Tully's case, or in articulation, as in the case of Demosthenes, and that when they were no longer children.—Harper's Bazar.

HARP PLAYING.

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Harp playing is a very picturesque and artistic accomplishment, says a writer, which constantly finds new votaries. A pretty woman with a golden harp against her shoulder, her slender hand and supple wrist outlined against its strings, is so suggestive of cherubim and seraphim, of white wings, so enveloped in a misty atmosphere of saintliness and general loveliness that a man can't even think the profane things that he says boldly about the piano banger and violin scraper, even if no two strings are tuned in the same key. But harp playing is one of the most expensive luxuries a woman can indulge. The long suffering planoforte is as patient as a two-humped camel, and bears uncomplainingly the practice abuse heaped upon it, but a harp-wears out easily, the whole mechanism going to pieces sometimes all at once, like the time-honored "one-hoss shay." The little Grecian, the cheapest of harps, costs \$500; the "semigrand," the most popular variety, is usually \$750, and the "grand" is sold as high as \$1 200. In addition it is very expensive to keep them in condition, their trim being affected by every change in the weather and having to be renewed at least every second year.

CITY NOTES.

Mrs. Wood is alto at the United Hebrew Temple.

The Holy Communion Church has engaged Mr. C. H. Brown as base.

Owen Miller has been elected President of the National League of Musicians.

The Choral Symphony Society gave a concert at the Liederkranz Hall on the 21st ult.

Wayman McCreery sang in the "Crucifixion," given at Christ church on the 27th ult.

The Emma Juch Opera Co , which was expected here this month, will not come till May.

August Meyer, teacher of zither, has removed from 1014 Morrison Ave. to 1508 South 12th St.

Mr. Kissel is at present organist of the Central Presbyterian Church, in place of Mr. Jenkins.

The St. Louis Minstrels has been formed, with Messrs. Miller, Setzer, Kissell and Joel as members.

J. J. Voellmecke was elected director of the St. Louis Musik Verein, to take charge on the 1st of April.

(Mad. Dora Hennings Heinsohn sang Alma Virgo by Himmel at the Easter services in St. Xavier's church.

Miss Jessie Hall, a pupil of Robert Wilson, is said to have made a three years' engagement with Agnes Huntington.

Otto Hein, the well known tenor, was presented with a beautiful memento by the choir of which he is a member.

At Anton's Music Rooms, a splendid programme was presented on the 23d ult. The planists for the occasion were Misses Albert and Nash.

Miss Nellie C. Smith, of 5108 South Broadway, has an excellent class of pupils. She is a splendid teacher, and worthy of the success she is meeting.

S. C. Black has formed a quartette composed of Mrs. E. Karst, Soprano; Miss Louise Aubertin, Alto; Charles Humphrey, Tenor; S. C. Black, Bass.

The St. Louis Glee Club will give a concert on the 8th inst at Pickwick theatre. The soloists are Mrs. E. H. Bollman, Geo. F. Townley and Master Francis Miller.

Miss Nellie Strong gave a pupil' recital at her music rooms on the 7th ult. It proved one of the most pleasing and successful given. A large audience was present.

An operetta, "The Court Martial," by Messrs. Robyn and Lepere. is to be given soon. The cast includes Wm. McCreery, H. Walker, Wm. Porteous and A. R. Schollmeyer.

Miss Bessie Stonebrecker, a pupil of Miss Agnes Gray, the violinist, was highly praised for her excellent playing at a recent concert at Lindenwood College, St. Charles.

St. John's Catholic Church choir has been re enforced with several good singers, Arthur Ravold and George Dickson having joined lately. J. J. Voellmecke is organist.

Mr. Archer, the organist, gave a recital on the 10th ult., at the 2nd Baptist Church. He was assisted by Wm. Porteous, baritone, J. L. Schoen, violinist, and Mrs. Mayo-Rhodes, so-

A Concert will be given on the 8th inst at Music Hall under the auspices of Union M. E. church. Messrs. A. J. Epstein, P. G. Anton, Jr., and Guido Parisi have been engaged for the occasion.

Mrs. A. Lynn gave a musicale at her residence, 3947 Olive St. Solos were rendered by Charles Kunkel, J. A. Kiesel-horst, Mrs. Illsley, Misses Jessie Wright, J. Krone, Gertrude and Constance Lynn, and Messrs. C. Hatfield and G. Dashiell.

Louis Conrath, the pianist, assisted in the concert given at the Germania Club on 4th inst. His selections, "Am Stillen Herd," Wagner, and "Home, Sweet Home," Rivé-King, both of Kunkel's Royal Edition, were received with great applacements.

The Musical Reunion given at Balmer and Weber's hall on the 24th ult, included numbers by the Amphion Quartette Misses Nellie Strong and Nellie Ripley, and Messrs. Schoen, Lichtenstein, Saenger, Anton, Ed. Dierkes, Sykes and Chas. Balmer, Jr.

The 'Piano Dealers' Social Club' lately formed, gave a dinner at Mercantile Club on the 7th ult. Notice has been given that on and after April 1st, no commissions will be paid to any one under any circumstances. The notice is signed by sixteen piano firms.

Miss Alice Pettengill gave a pupils' recital at Balmer & Weber's Music Hall on the 30th ult., assisted by Miss Payne, Miss Dickenson, Miss Ralston and Mrs. Atkinson, piano: Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. Anderson and Miss Billings, vocal; Mr. Harry Rogers, violin; Mr. Read, organ.

August Wm. Hoffmann, the pianist and composer, is kept very busy at his music studio in the Emilie Building, at 904 Olive St. Mr. Hoffmann is an example of a hard-working and self-reliant man, and in a comparatively short time struck the high road to success. Mr. Hoffman and his brother, Fred. Victor, will sail for Europe in June to visit their parents. They will return in September in time to resume teaching. teaching

On Wednesday, April 8th, Miss Nellie Ripley was married to Rev. Edwin Wallace, of Aberdeen, South Dakota. This young lady has been for some years a pupil of Miss Nellie Strong, and has made during that time remarkable progress. She possesses unusual musical talent, and two weeks ago played at one of the Balmer & Weber soirées, the F sharp minor Concerto by Hiller, with great success. Her powerful touch, fire and nerve specially fitted her to give a brilliant interpretation to this beautiful composition. The good wishes of hosts of friends accompany her to her Western home.

ern home.

The thirty-second annual commencement exercises of the Homeopathic Medical College of Missouri were held at the Pickwick Theatre on the 12th ult. The following programme was rendered: Vocal Quartetie—Messrs. Lester Crawford, Charles Wiggins, James Peacock and Eben Richards. Invocation—Rev. H. F. Deters. Plano Solo—"Vive la Republique"—Concert Paraphrase—Kunkel, Mr. Chas. Kunkel. Address on Behalf of the Faculty—Subject, The Victories of Defeat—Rev. J. W. Ford, D. D. Violin Solo—Mazurka de Concert—Muzin, Miss Agnes Gray. Conferring of Diplomas—W. A. Edmonds, A.M., M.D. Soprano Solo—"My Darling"—Concert Waltz—Kroeger, Mrs. Louie A. Peebles. Awarding of Prizes—Irenæus D. Foulon, A.M., M.D., LL.B. Piano Duet—"Southern Jollification"—Kunkel, Messrs. Chas. Kunkel and Louis Conrath. Benediction—Rev. H. F. Deters. The Chickering Concert Grand Piano was furnished by Jesse French Piano Co.

The benefit of the Verein Deutscher Journalisten and Schriftsteller von St. Louis will be given Monday, the 5th inst., in three halls in the northern, southern and eentral parts of the city—Social Turner Hall, Central Turner Hall and Concordia Turner Hall. In the Central Turner Hall the following participated: Mr. Bernard Dierkes, tenor solo, with cello accompaniment by Mr. P. G. Anton, Jr.; Lulu Kunkel, violin solo; Marcus and Abe Epstein, piano duet; Guido Parisi, violin solo; Mrs. Steinmeier-Rockel, soprano solo; Otto Hein, tenor solo. Singing societies will assist, under the direction of Fred. W. Norsch, Wilhelm Lange and Egmont Froehlich. In the Concordia Turner Hall there will be, among those participating: Mr. Louis Retter, piano solo; Olga Vollrath, song; Messrs. George Heerich and Victor Ehling, violin and piano; Mrs. Dr. J. C. Lebrecht, alto; Miss Therese Albert and Mr. P. G. Anton, Jr., piano and cello; Mr. Joseph Saler, baritone solo. Several singing societies, under the direction of Carl Richter, will participate. A children's concert, by twenty pupils of Mr. Louis Retter, will be one of the principal features of the evening. In the Social Turner Hall will appear Mr. Victor Lichtenstein, violin solo; Mr. Fred. Koch, baritone solo; Mr Carl Schillinger, flute solo; Mrs Dr. Anna Meister-Bauer, Mrs. Emilie Adler-Voege and Messrs. E and A. Keisker, quartette from the opera "Martha;" Messrs. Frank Gecks Jr., and Fred Schillinger, violin solo with piano accompaniment; Messrs. A. W. Hoffman, F. V. Hoffman and L. W. Hoffman, trio for piano, violin and cello; the mass chorus of the singing societies of the district will be under the direction of Prof. Fred Schillinger.

MAJOR AND MINOR.

Walter Damrosch by personal effort, aided by his connections with wealthy families, has quietly succeeded in securing subscriptions to the amount of \$50,000 for a season of concerts to take place at Carnegie's new Music Hall, which will be ready for occupancy next fall. It is proposed to give twelve subscription concerts on a grand scale and to repeat the programmes, probably on Sunday evenings, at popular prices of admission.

Rev. J. H. Wallfisch, who has been appointed Corresponding Secretary of the American Branch of the General Christian Saengerbund, is a thorough musician and a composer or rare ability. His songs have a wide circulation. He is a very active man, and thoroughly interested in his work. The

121st Psalm, sung by Miss Julia Vollmar at the dedication of the New Orphans' Home, Warrenton, Mo., and which was so highly praised, was from the fertile pen of this composer.

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The annual entertainment of the "Willing Workers" of the Second Baptist church was throughout, a success. Among the numbers, we noticed a performance of "Jolly Blacksmiths," by two little girls, Metta Ford and Hope Scannell. These children have only had respectively ten and seven months instruction. Five other little girls accompanied the "anvil chorus" with triangles and singing. The precision and accuracy with which this was done, evinced the thorough training of their teacher, Miss Katie E. Wright.

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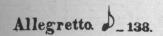
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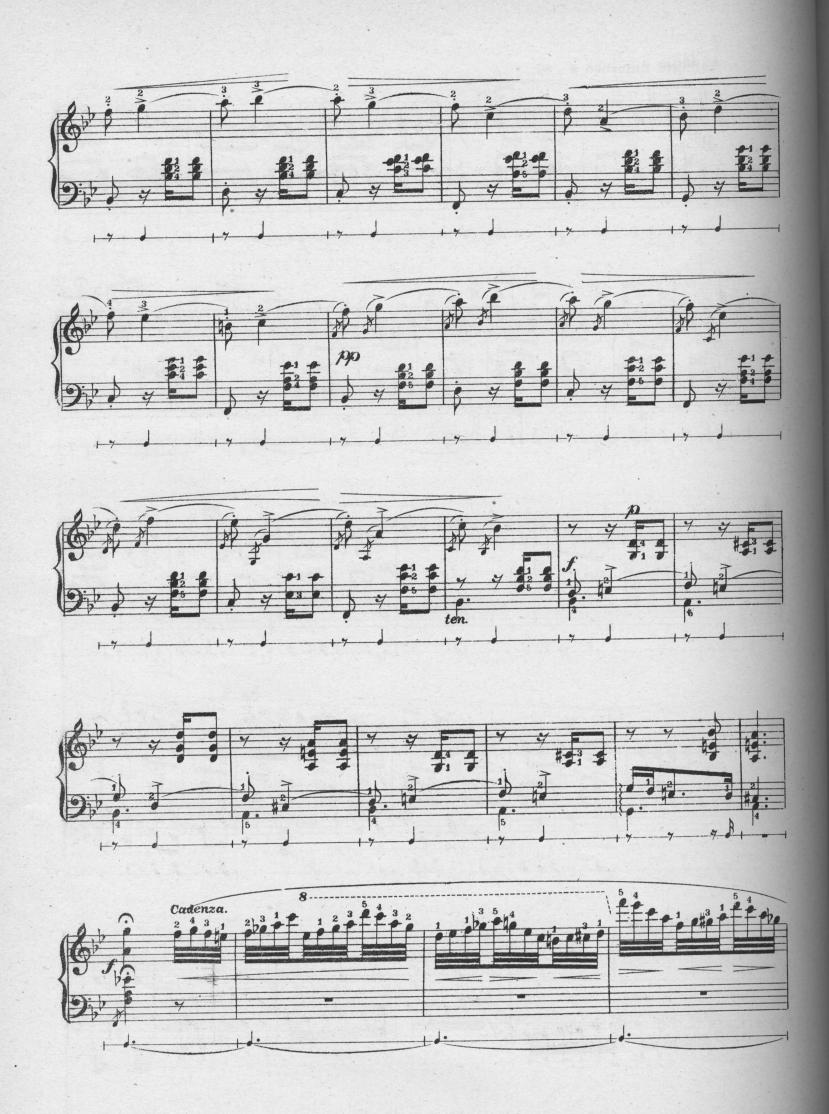
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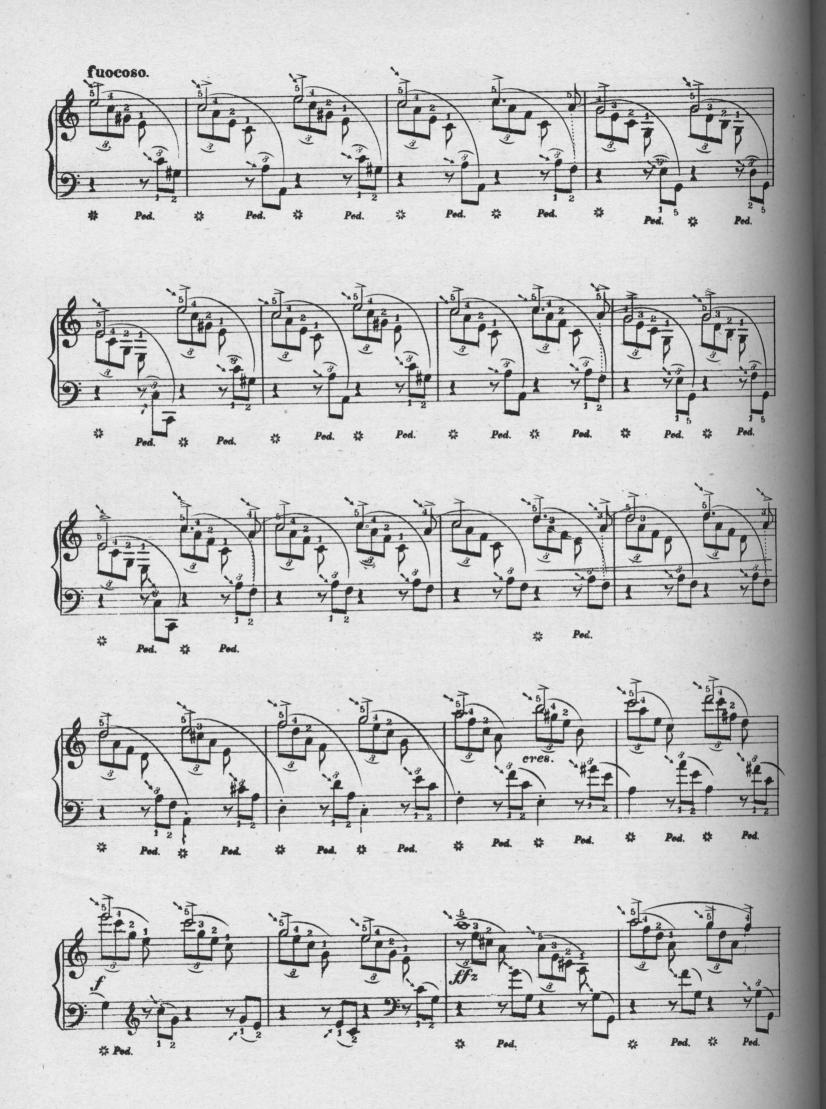
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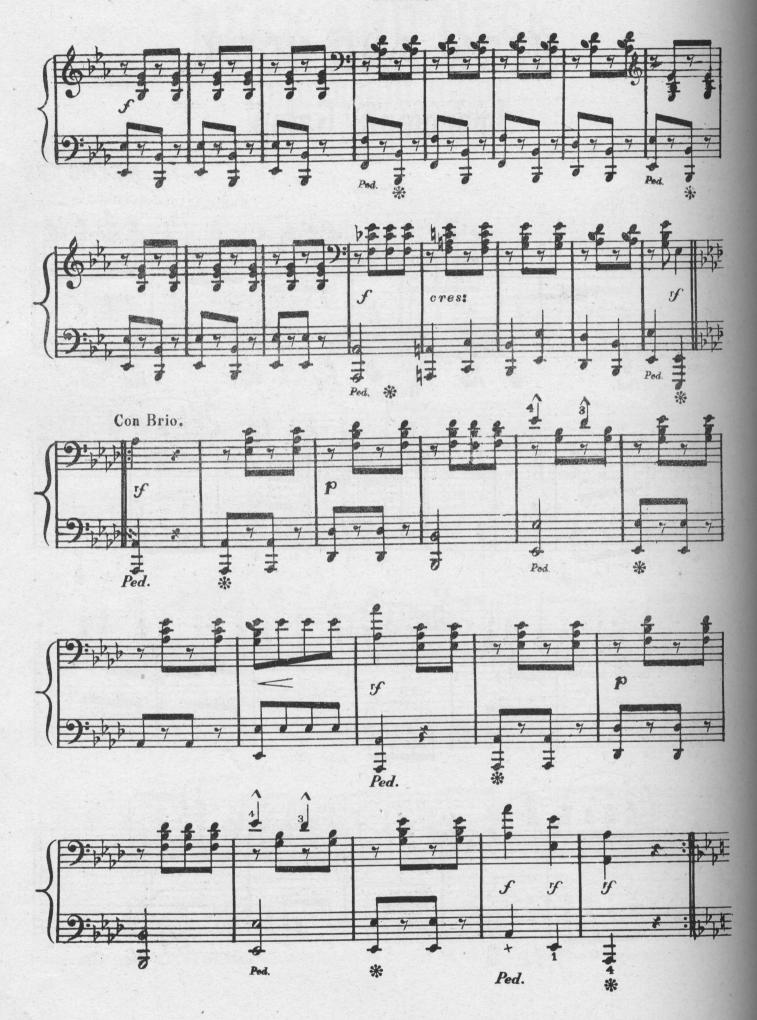


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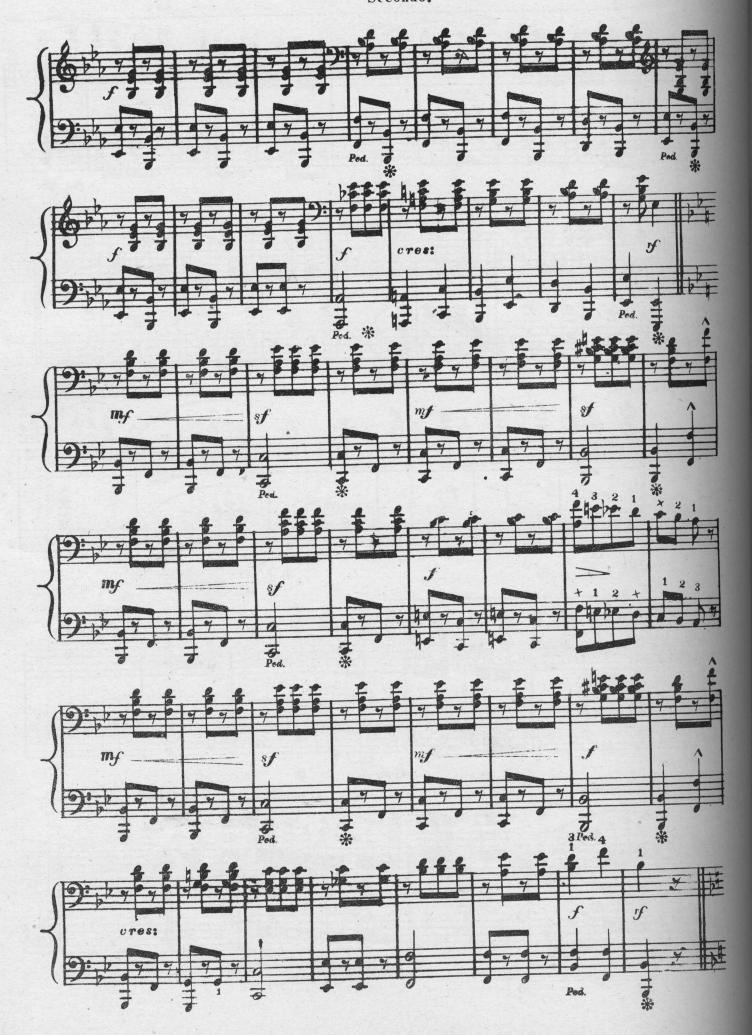
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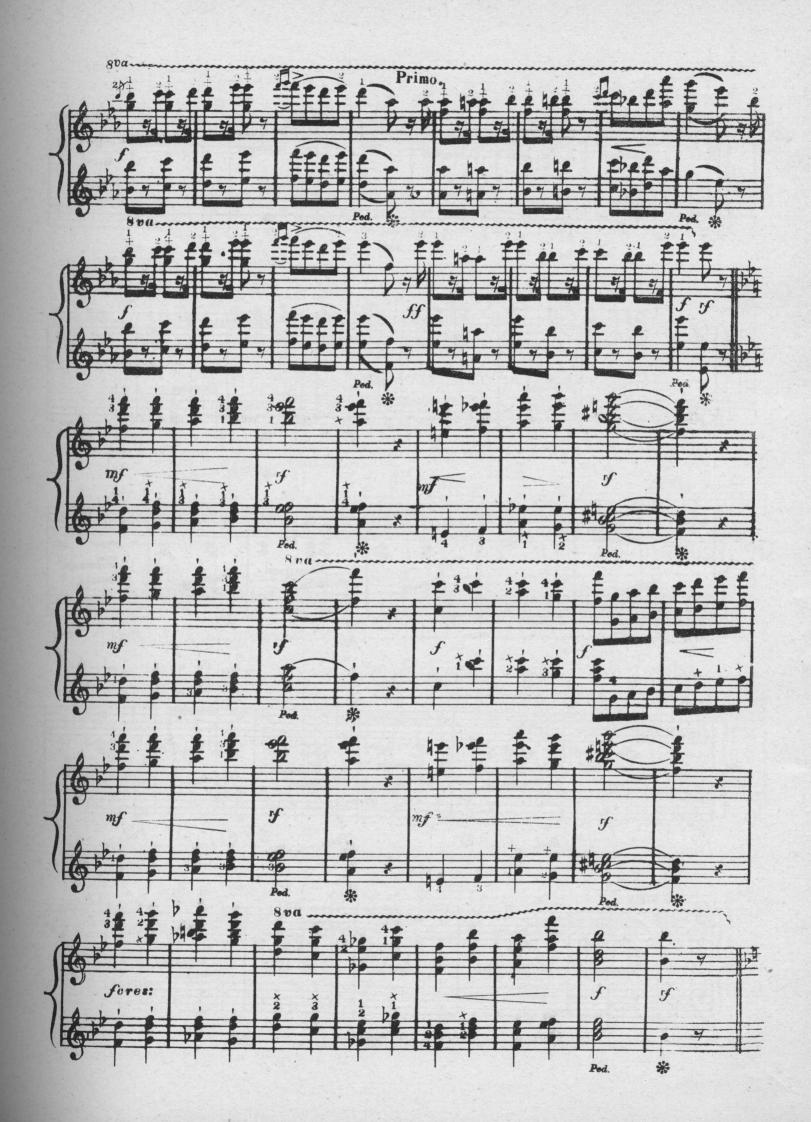
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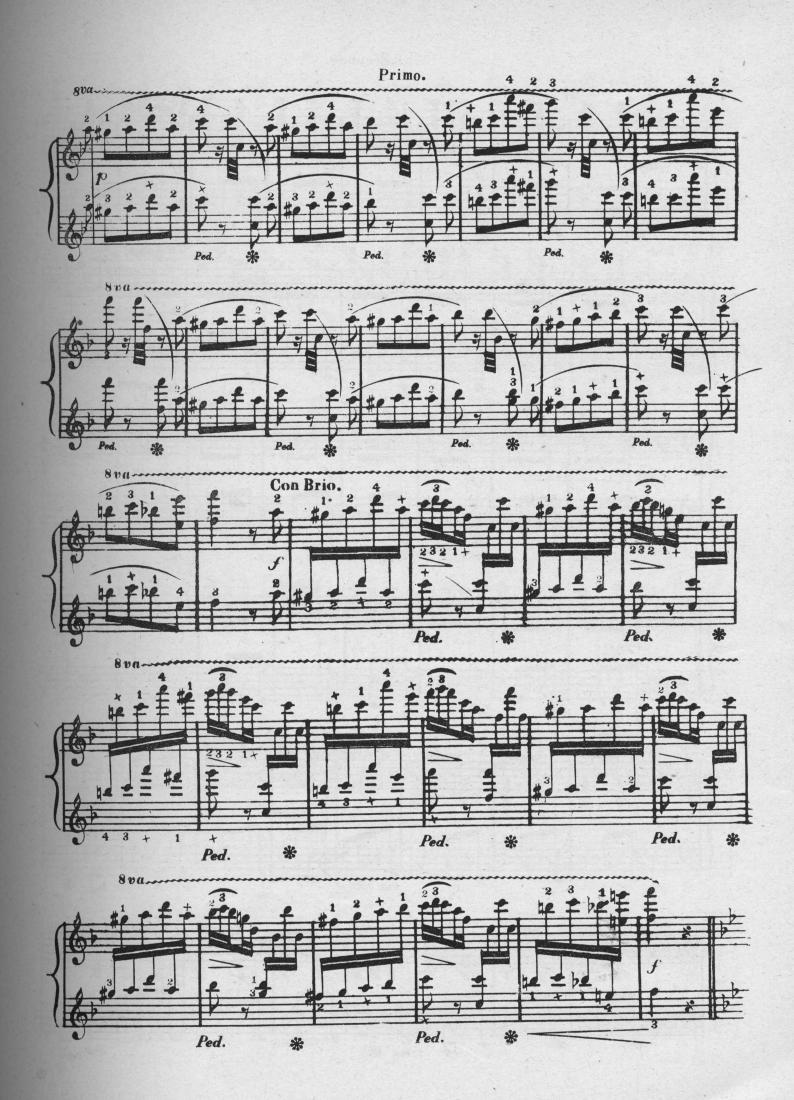


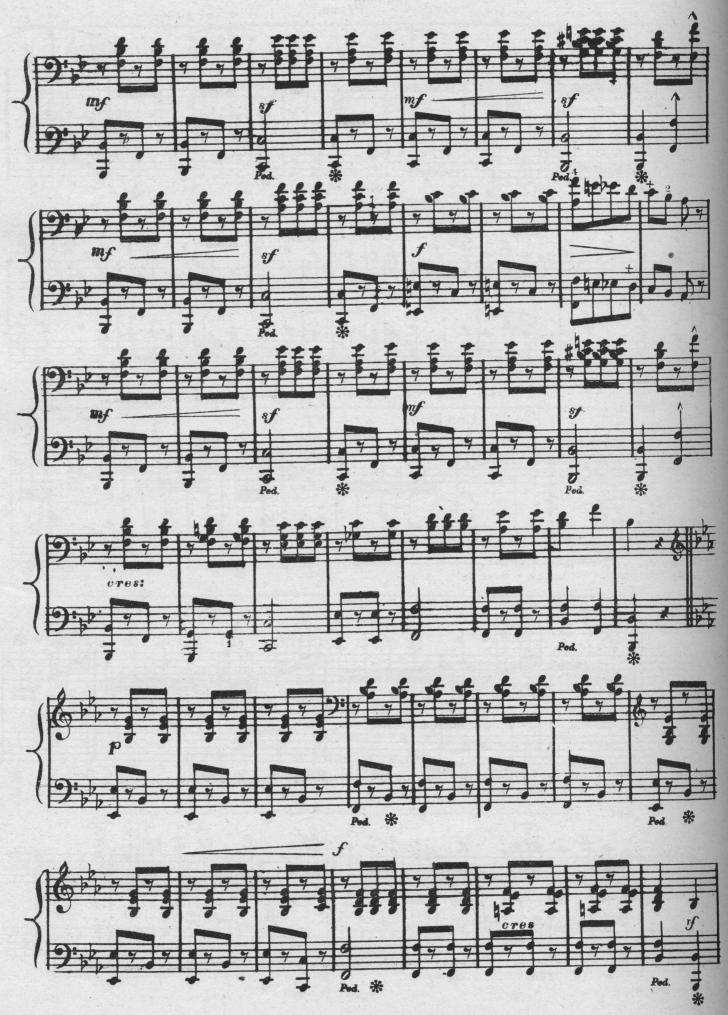


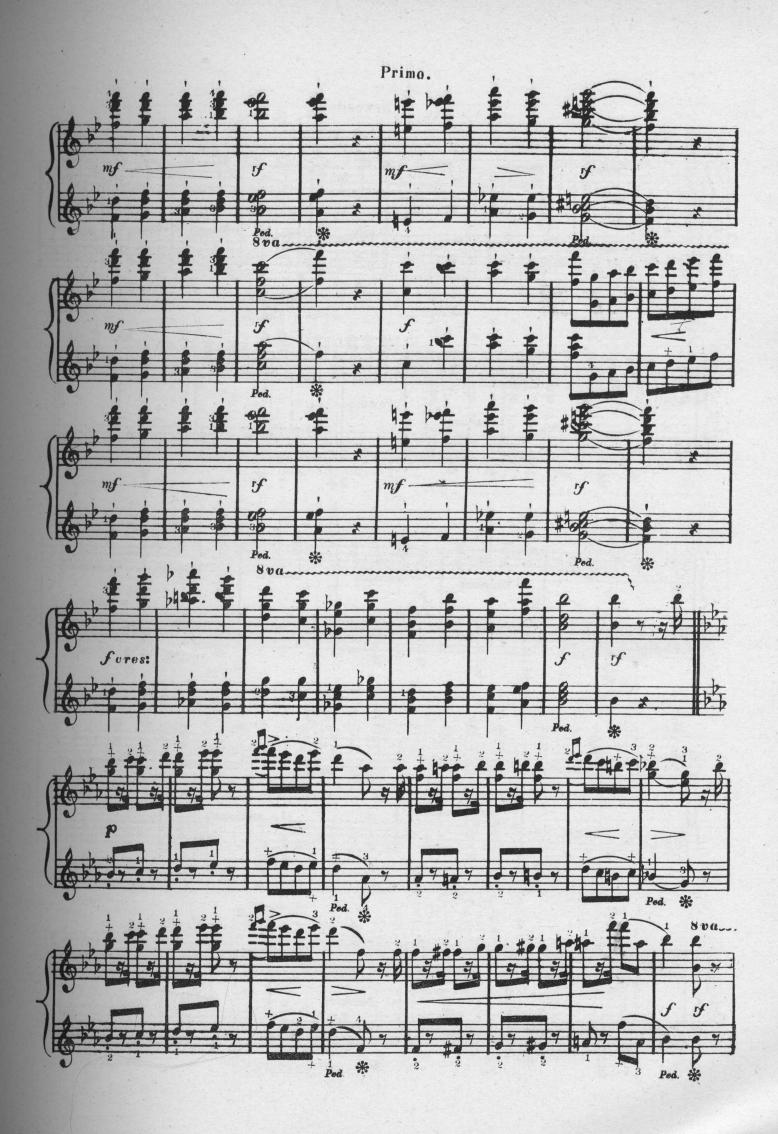


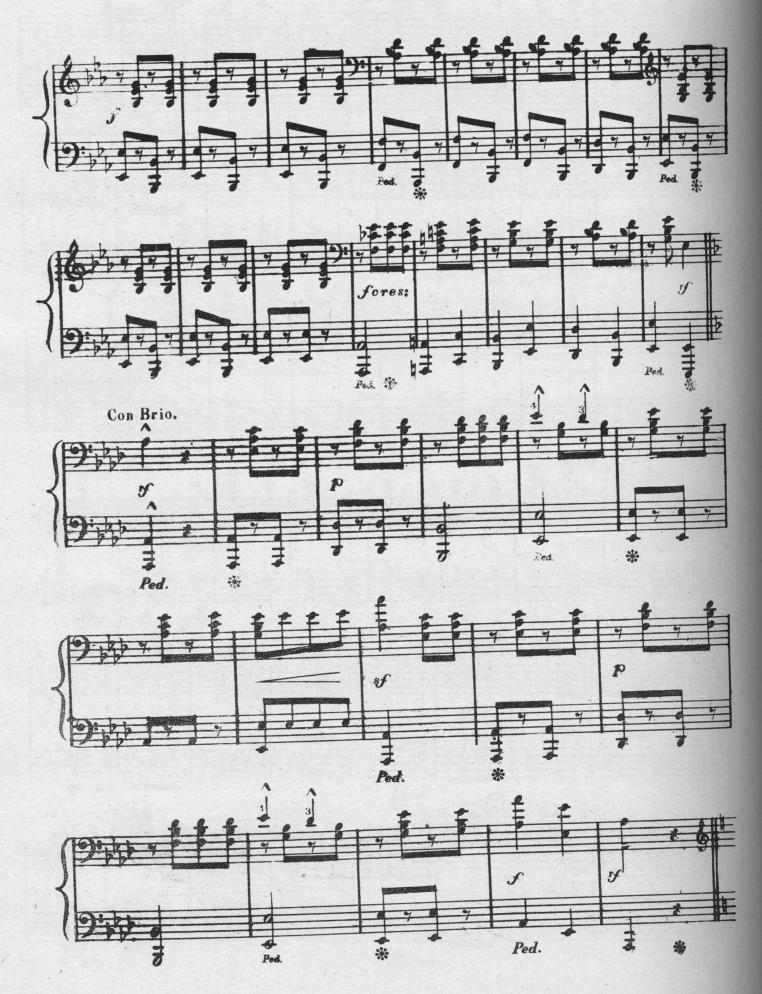




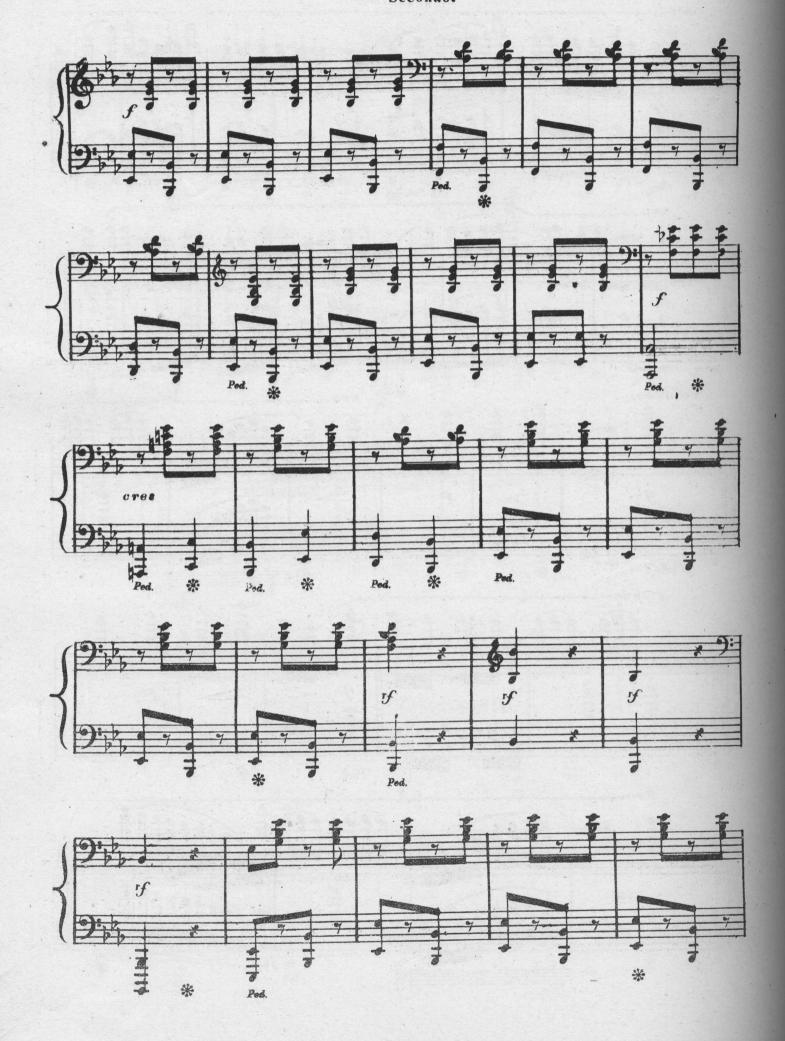




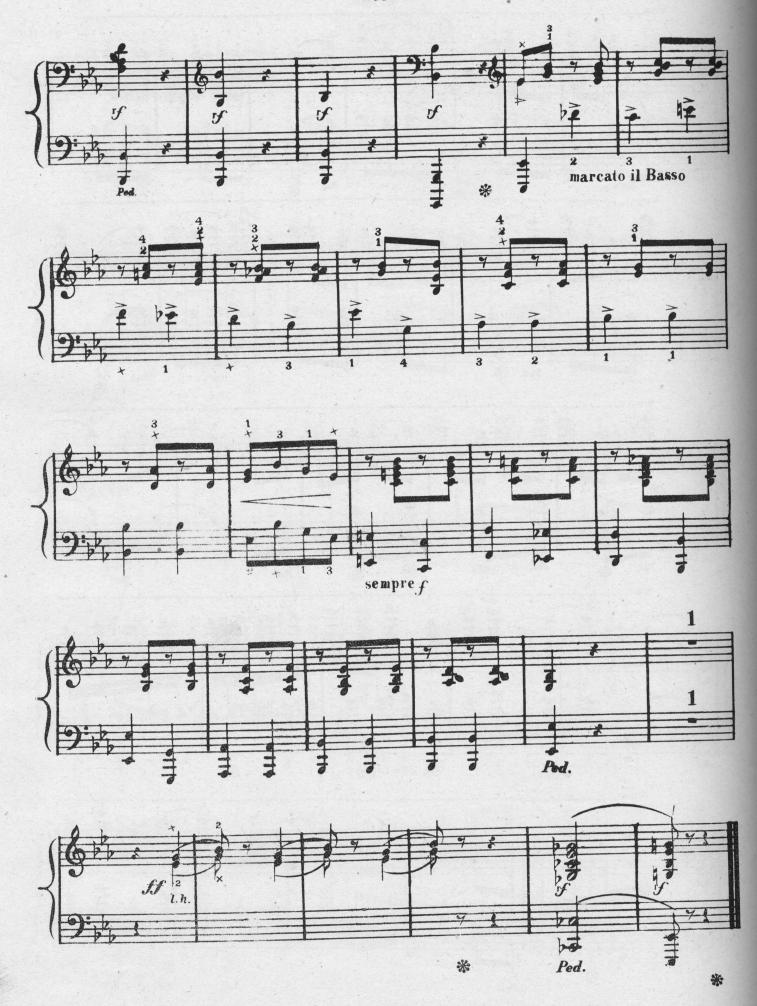














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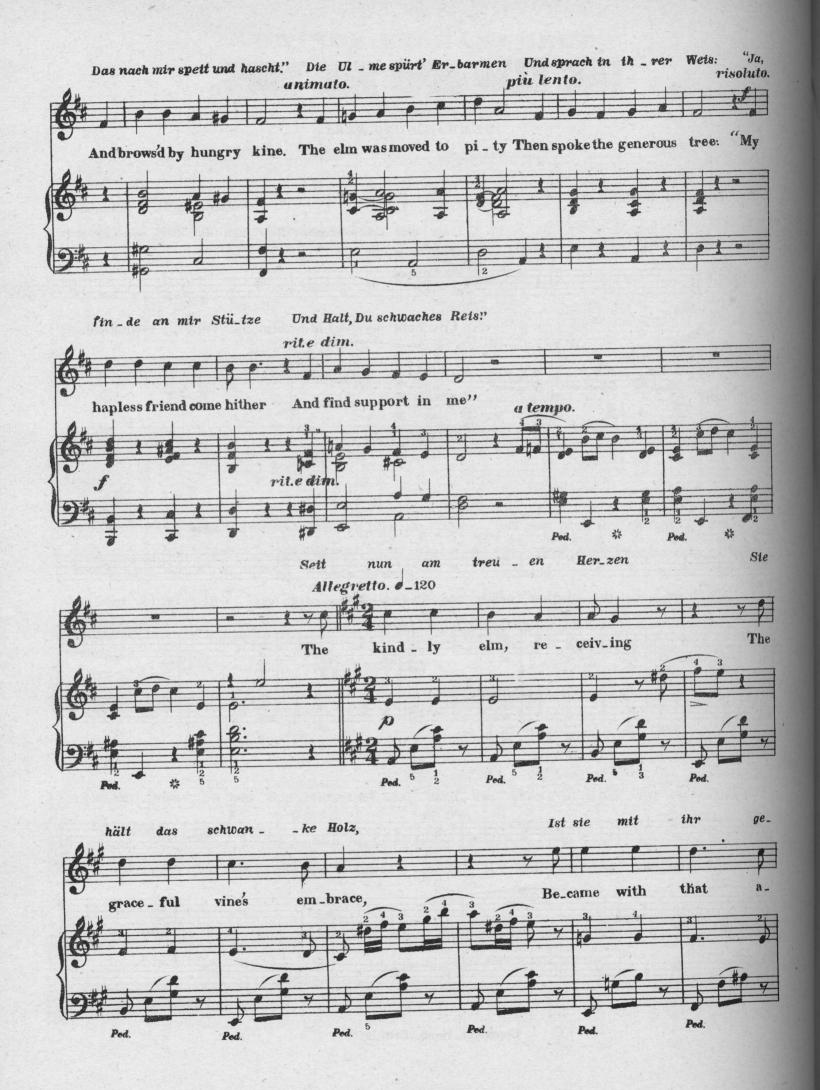


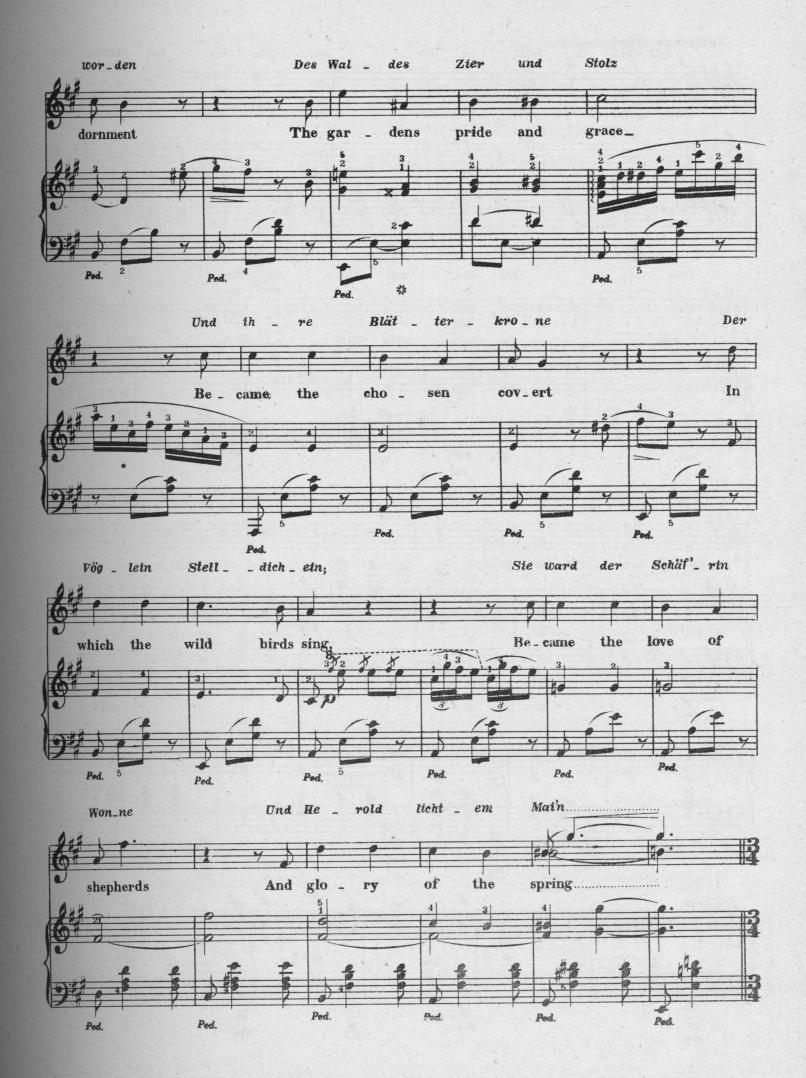
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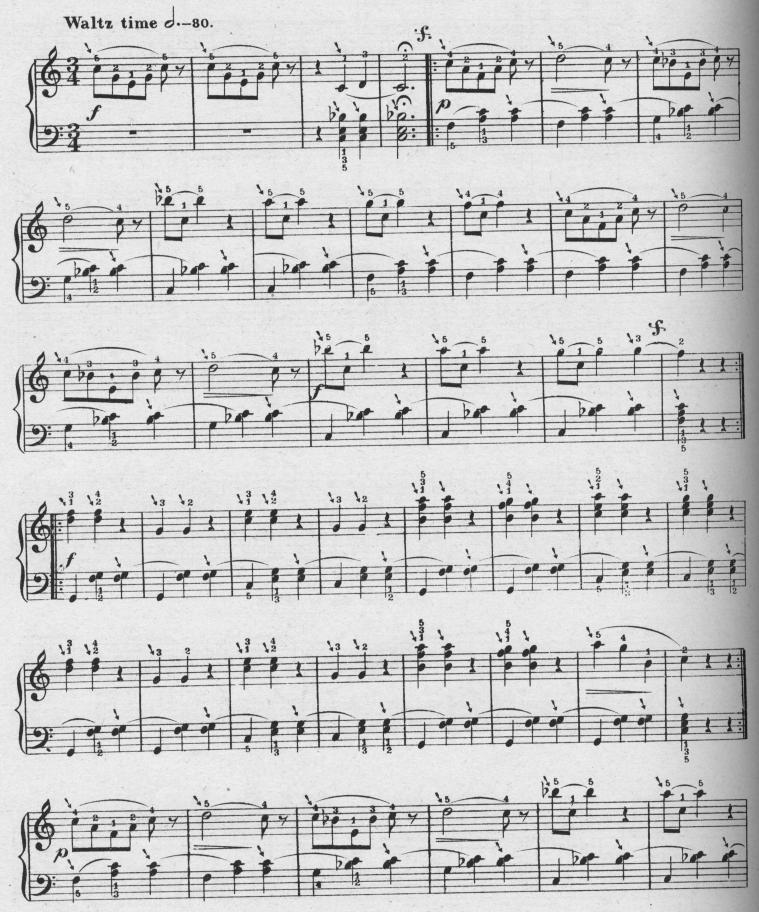




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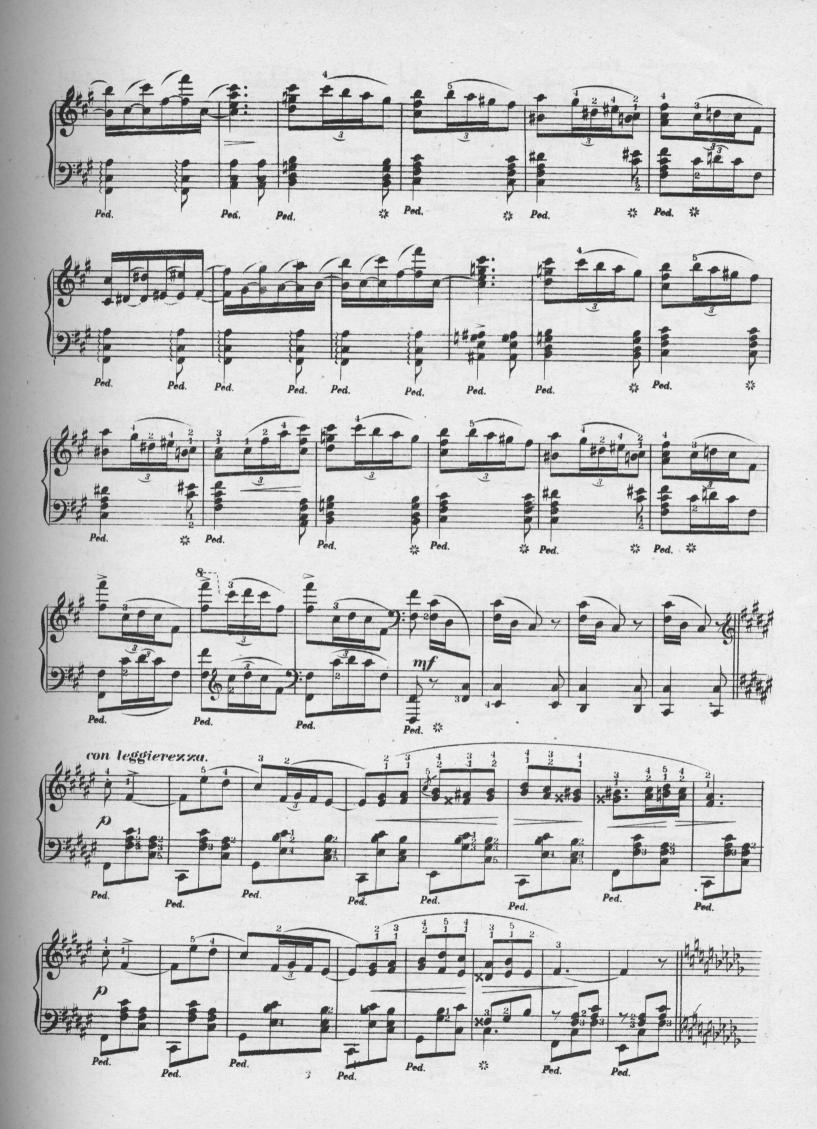




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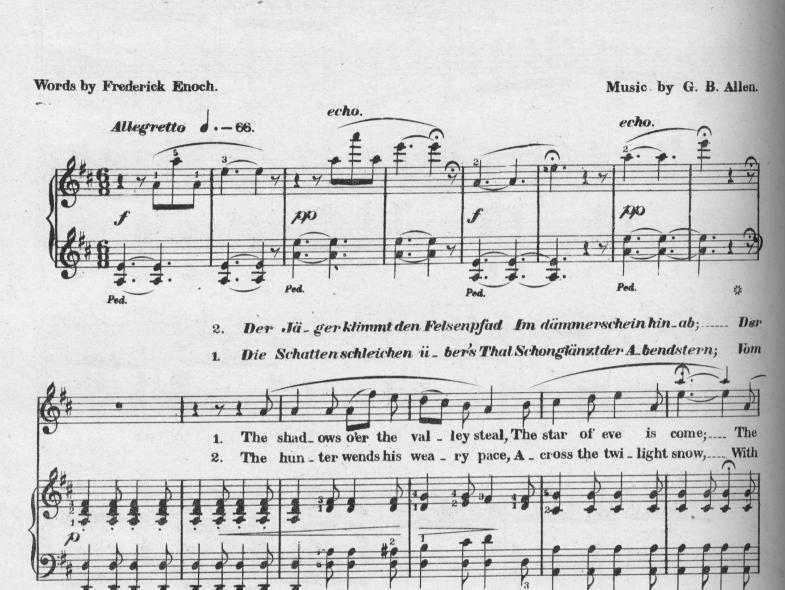




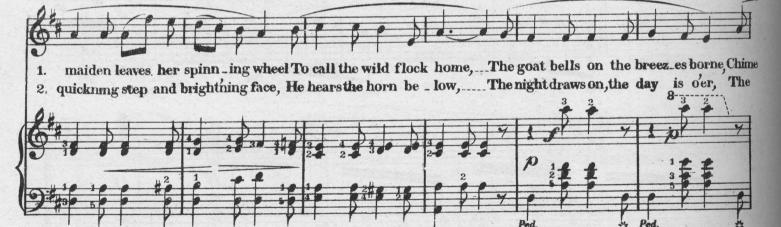




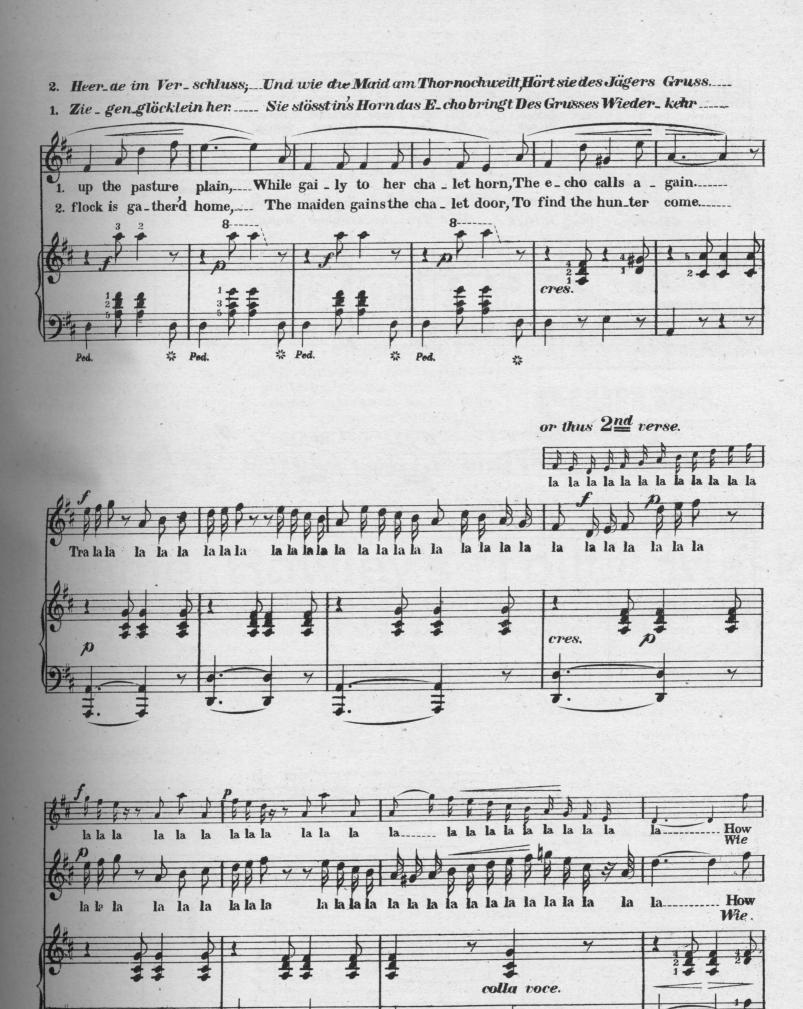
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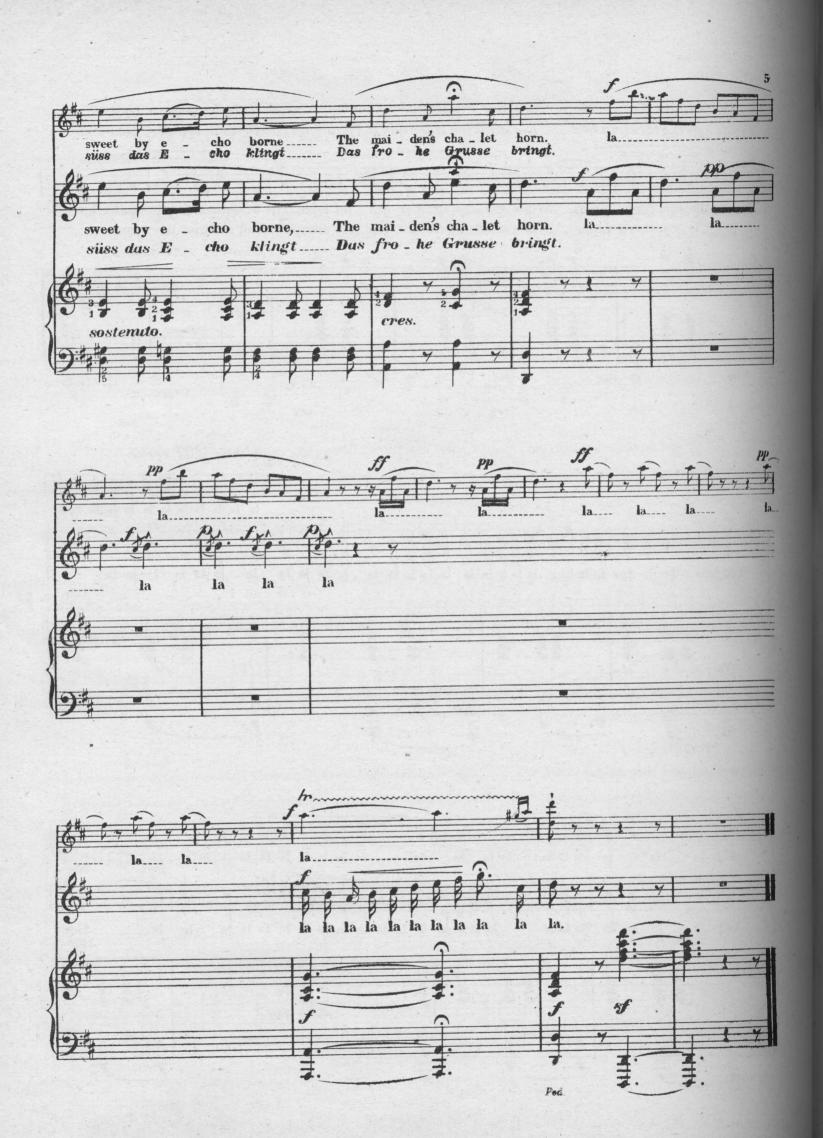


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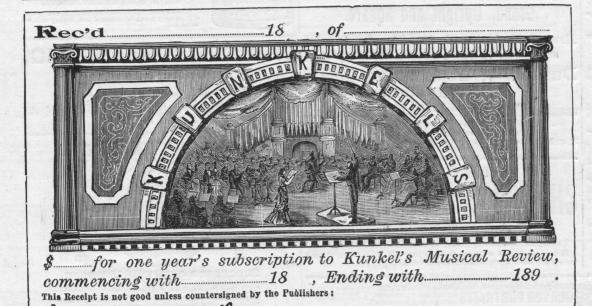
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